Report to the Kentucky Library Association Board
President
Annual Report to the Board
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Louisville, Kentucky

Correspondences

I wrote a letter on behalf of KLA in support of the American Association of School Librarians choosing Lexington, KY as the site of their 2015 AASL National Conference & Expo.

I received a letter from First Lady Jane Beshear regarding her initiative to bring literacy awareness to Kentucky. Her office is partnering with the Collaborative Center for Literacy Development, the Kentucky Education Association, the Kentucky Reading Association, the Kentucky Council on Teachers of English and Language Arts, and the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives to host the first annual *Kentucky Literacy Week* from February 28-March 4, 2011. On behalf of KLA, I responded with a letter stating that the Kentucky Library Association is proud and honored to endorse Kentucky Literacy Week. I hope your communities participated in Kentucky Literacy Week.

I wrote a letter on behalf of KLA in support for the American Association of School Librarians to hold their 17th National Conference & Exhibition in Columbus, OH, October 12-19, 2015.

Meetings

I attended the Kentucky School Media Association's Board Meetings.

I attended the State Advisory Council on Libraries meetings.

Terry Buckner, President-Elect and I attended the American Library Association's Midwinter Conference in San Diego, CA, January 6-11, 2011. We represented the Kentucky Library Association at the Chapter Leaders Forum, Chapter Relations Committee meetings, and were announced at the ALA Council I meeting. We also solicited prospective vendors for the fall conference in the exhibit hall.

I attended the 2011 KPLA/KLTRT Conference, April 11-13, in Lexington, KY. I also attended the 2011 KLA Academic and Special Library Sections, and Special Libraries Association Kentucky Chapter Conference, April 13-15, in Prestonsburg, KY. Both conferences were informative and motivating. The conference planning chairs and their committees did an excellent job organizing the conferences and bringing in great speakers and presentations.

I attended the American Library Association's National Library Legislative Day with a Kentucky contingent May 8-11, 2011 in Washington, D.C. to advocate for our libraries. We met with Senator Rand Paul, Congressman Brett Guthrie, and the staff of our other representatives. Congressman Geoff Davis' congressional aide gave us a tour of the chambers of the House Ways and Means Committee. Debbe Oberhausen, Chair, Library Awareness Committee sent a report out via email to the KLA listserv. I want to thank Debbe, Wayne Onkst, and Lori Harlan for all their hard work to make this trip a success and also my fellow delegates for attending NLLD.

In June, I attended the Special Library Association 2011 Annual Conference in Philadelphia, PA. I also attended, with Terry Buckner, President-Elect, the 2011 American Library Association Annual Conference in New Orleans, LA. We attended the Chapter Relations Committee meetings and were recognized at the ALA Council I meeting. We also solicited prospective vendors for the fall conference in the exhibit hall.

The 2011 KLA/KSMA Fall Conference, *Information...The Library Superpower!* has arrived. We have great speakers and wonderful programs lined up. I want to thank Terry Buckner, President-Elect/Conference Planning Chair and her committee for all their hard work.

News

ALA President, Roberta Stevens wrote about her visit to Kentucky and the 2010 KLA/KSMA Conference in her *President's Message* for the *American Libraries Magazine*. If you did not see the article, <u>Some Good News Out There</u>, it is available online at http://americanlibrariesmagazine.org/columns/presidents-message/some-good-news-out-there-too. I am honored and proud that President Stevens chose to showcase our wonderful Kentucky libraries.

While at ALA Midwinter, Terry and I were approached by Barbara Jones, ALA Intellectual Freedom Director, about a possible collaboration project. The Office for Intellectual Freedom received a grant from the Open Society Institute. There are funds for a one-time only program on privacy for the general community. They would like to focus the program on an immigrant community. The state Barbara chose to work with on this project is Kentucky. We have put Barbara in contact with Nancy Browning, Assistant Director of Public Services at Louisville Free Public Library and Betty Admishani, Manager of the Village Branch of the Lexington Public Library.

Other Items

Elliot Appelbaum, Chair, Fund Raising Committee, developed the composition, duties, and expenses for the Committee for consideration of the Board of Directors at the March 2011 Board meeting. Approved by the Board.

Robert Gieszl, Chair, Strategic Planning & Organization Review, has updated the Blue Book with all the past changes.

KLA Superpower wear is now available at http://www.cafepress.com/KentuckyLibraryAssociation. We have 10 designs currently available: t-shirts (men, women, kids, and baby sizes), coffee mugs, totes, etc.

Approved by the Board of Directors

The following Ad Hoc Committees were approved by the Board at our November 20, 2010 meeting.

- AH-1 Kentucky Virtual Library
- AH-2 Conference Analysis & Assessment Committee
- AH-3 Web Redesign Committee

Web Redesign Ad Hoc Committee

We will be unveiling the new KLA website design at the 2011 KLA/KSMA Joint Conference. I want to thank Chair Ashley Fowlkes and her committee, Tom Underwood, and Rick Hogue, Intent.net for all their work on this project. Thank you!

Respectfully Submitted,

Leoma Dunn President Kentucky Library Association